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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT

- : Political Leadership Development Program
- 1. I regret that I was called away and was unable to meet the deadline requested on your revised program.
- 2. As revised, it presents no problem for the Office of the Deputy Director (Administration), except in connection with the possible future staff section mentioned in paragraph 9. I wish to say, however, that I think this revised program is far preferable to the initial submission, and, speaking not particularly as Acting DD/A or General Counsel, but from general personal association with this problem over a long period of time, I believe this is the only approach which makes real sense. Consequently, if it progresses to the point where a staff element is needed for proper continuance of the project, the need for such a staff should be almost self evident at that time, and I foresee no particular difficulty.
- 3. Again, speaking personally and somewhat out of my proper jurisdiction, I believe there should be a centralized point for followup on the responsibilities for this program assigned in paragraph 6. I assume these will be taken care of under the provision of paragraph 8 on staff responsibilities.

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